GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:152
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REVIEW OF PRADHAN MANTRI GRAM SADAK YOJANA
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has reviewed/proposed to review the implementation of the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of the proposals received from various States and the action taken thereon;

(d) the amount sanctioned/proposed to be sanctioned for this purpose, State-wise;

(e) whether all the proposals received from the inception of this scheme up to March, 2004, have been cleared;

(f) whether funds are misappropriated in the process of construction of rural roads; and

g) if so, the action taken by the Government in this regard ?

Answer

MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (DR. RAGHUVANSH PRASAD SINGH)

(a) to (g) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

The Statement referred to in Reply to the Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 152 admitted for Answer on 15th July, 2004.

(a) and (b) All rural development schemes including PMGSY are reviewed regularly. PMGSY was part of the review of schemes in the conferences of Chief Ministers and State Ministers of Rural Development and Panchayati Raj in January, 2003 and June, 2004 organised by the Ministry of Rural Development. Rural Development Minister too reviewed PMGSY in meetings with several States including Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Orissa, Jharkhand, Uttar Pradesh, Bihar etc. The programme was also reviewed in the North Eastern States` Rural Development Ministers meeting in September, 2003. In addition, progress is periodically reviewed with the State Governments at the executing agency level.

(c) to (e) A statement indicating State-wise details of the proposals cleared for the years 2000-01(Phase-I), 2001-02 & 2002-03 (Phase-II) and 2003-04 (Phase-III.) is at Annexure.

(f) and (g) Funds are released to State Agencies and audit is required to be conducted each year. Release of subsequent instalments are based on satisfactory audit reports.